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Applicant: Kristi D. Snell

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Examiner: Stuart F. Baum

For: *MULTI-GENE EXPRESSION CONSTRUCTS CONTAINING MODIFIED  
INTEINS*

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action mailed on October 23, 2002, please amend the application as follows.

It is believed that no fee is required with this submission. However, should a fee be required, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the fee to Deposit Account No. 50-1868.

**In the Claims**

1. (Amended) A DNA construct for expression of multiple gene products in a cell comprising:

- (a) a single promoter at the 5' end of the construct,
- (b) multiple genes, or exteins, encoding one or more proteins,